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FOR JENKINS

1. THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECENTLY SENT COLOMBO (NUMBER NOT YET AVAILABLE) IS QUOTED HEREUNDER FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE ON SOURCE/ORIGIN QUESTION:

QUOTE 1. AID HAS VESTED TITLE IN TWO CARGOES BAGGED UREA ORIGINALLY DESTINED FOR SOUTH VIETNAM (A) 7,875 MT STORED IN MANILA AND AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT. (B) 1,148 MT STORED IN SINGAPORE AND ALSO AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT.

2. AID WILLING TO MAKE BOTH CARGOES AVAILABLE TO SRI UNCLASSIFIED

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LANKA AT CURRENT U.S. FOB PRICE OF DOLS. 150 MT FREIGHT

COMPONENT MANILA/SINGAPORE TO SRI LANKA VS U.S. TO SRI LANKA WOULD RESULT IN CONSIDERABLE SAVING TO GOSL. TOTAL COST TO GOSL WOULD BE DOLS. 150 PER MT PLUS OCEAN FREIGHT AND INSURANCE MANILA/SINGAPORE TO SRI LANKA.

3. IF THE GOSL IS THINKING IN TERMS OF THE LANDED COST OF

UREA FROM SAUDI ARABIA, IT MAY NOT APPRECIATE HOW FAVORABLE THE RATE STIPULATED IN PARAGRAPH 2 IS. THEREFORE YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT THE SCOPE OF CODE 941 ELIGIBILITY HAS BEEN CHANGED TO EXCLUDE SAUDI ARABIA, AND THIS MODIFICATION WILL BE PUBLISHED SHORTLY IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER. THE PRACTICAL EFFECT OF THIS MODIFICATION, AS RELATED TO UREA PROCUREMENT, WILL BE TO RESTRICT IT TO THE UNITED STATES. IN ADDITION, IT IS THE RECENT POLICY DECISION OF THE AGENCY TO RESTRICT ALL REPEAT ALL FERTILIZER PROCUREMENT IN FY 1976 TO U.S. SOURCE BECAUSE OF CURRENT EXCESS AVAILABILITIES HERE.

- 4. IN BOTH CASES BAGS CARRY MARKINGS REQUIRED FOR SOUTH VIETNAM IMPORTER WHICH WE FEEL SHOULD NOT PRESENT PROBLEM.
- 5. SUBJECT UREA WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR AID FINANCING UNDER CURRENT AG INPUT LOAN.
- $6.\,$ REQUEST YOU DISCUSS OFFER WITH GOSL AND ADVISE ASAP. UNQUOTE.
- 2. THE DRAFT IFB SENT FROM SRI LANKA STILL HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED HERE. HOWEVER, AID REP ADVISED US THAT IFB WAS INTENDED TO CONSTITUTE "PROCUREMENT PLAN" IN SATISFYING SECTION 302(A) AND (B) CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO DISBURSEMENT. WE WILL RESPOND TO THAT POINT WHEN WE HAVE HAD A OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE DRAFT IFB. KISSINGER

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